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Blease's Boast--Offers to Bet 2 to 1 that He'll be Elected.

Columbia special in yesterday's Charlotte Observer: Columbia people who keep close track of politics, but who occasionally are not close as they imagine, have been predicting all along that Cole L. Blease, of Newberry would get about 20,000 votes in his campaign against Governor Ansel, who would get the remainder of the 100,000 votes in the State. They have been saying that for two powerful reasons nobody could beat Ansel, he having made a good Governor and the second term sentiment being strong throughout the State.

Mr. Blease, who was here today, however, says he's got good money to say that he will beat Ansel by a neat majority. He says he will carry thirty-six counties out of a total of forty-two.

"Give the Governor a little more than that," said your correspondent, as a jolly.

"I'll bet anybody \$1,000 to \$500 that I am the next Governor of this State," was the reply. "I've got \$8,000 on deposit at Newberry that is ready to talk that way, and I can get plenty more to cover all such bets. Put it in the paper that I said so. I don't care. I'm betting two to one on getting elected. And if you don't believe I'm going to carry a lot more counties than a whole lot of people think ask any member of the campaign party who has been attending the meetings."

How to Keep Water Cold.

"Having tried it, I recommend the following mode of keeping ice water for a long time in a common pitcher," says a writer in Woman's Home Companion for July. "Place between two sheets of thick brown paper a layer of cotton batting about half an inch in thickness; fasten the ends of the paper and batting together, forming a circle, then sew or paste a crown over one end, making a box the shape of a stovepipe hat minus the rim. Place this over an ordinary pitcher filled with ice water, making it deep enough to rest on the table so as to exclude the air, and you will be astonished to see the length of time that the ice will keep and water remain cold after all the ice has melted."

Solicitor Henry Knocked Speechless by Baseball.

Chester special in Monday's News and Courier: The Hon. J. K. Henry, the popular solicitor of the 6th circuit, met with a painful, and what lacked little of being a very serious accident, Thursday afternoon. He was playing ball on the lawn with his boys and had donned a mit, when a swiftly thrown ball struck the end of the mit and caromed off, striking Mr. Henry in the throat. It appeared for a while that the vocal cords were paralyzed, and it was feared that Mr. Henry's speech would be affected, but fortunately the accident was not turned out to be so serious as was at first feared.

Later Account of Minnesota Storm--200 People Homeless.

St. Paul, Minn., June 28.—Specials from Graceville, Minn., give additional detail of the tornado that struck Clinton, a town of 400 inhabitants, in the western part of Minnesota, late Saturday afternoon, killing seven persons. The dispatches say that over sixty were injured, but that only eleven were seriously hurt. Thirty-three houses were totally destroyed, and twenty-five were practically ruined. Two hundred people are homeless and scores are destitute of clothing, and outside aid is needed.

Club Women Injured.

Newport, R. I., June 28.—The 2,000 club women who came here from Boston today for an outing went back greatly saddened as a result of an accident which caused serious injuries to three of their number. Many of the visitors who were delegates to the biennial session of the General Federation of Women's Clubs in Boston had been enjoying carriage drives about the city and it was the occupants of a tallyho coach bound for Easton's beach who met disaster. When the coach had reached the middle of a steep hill on Bath road one of its forward axles suddenly broke and almost instantly the vehicle collapsed. Nearly all of the women were caught beneath the coach which turned completely over. Private automobiles carried the injured to the Newport hospital.

Georgia Merchant Killed.

Meigs, Ga., June 27.—In an altercation at Ochlocknee, this county, today James T. Thompson stabbed to death G. L. Bulloch, one of the wealthiest and most prominent merchants of Cordele. Mr. Bulloch left Cordele for Ochlocknee and Thomasville yesterday to adjust some matters of business. In transacting some business with Thompson some slighting remarks were made about Bulloch's father, which caused the difficulty in which Bulloch lost his life. Mr. Bulloch leaves his wife and six children.

Children Burned to Death.

Cleveland, O., June 27.—Three children were burned to death tonight when fire destroyed the home of Wm. Klinecks.

Three persons were injured, one of whom is in a critical condition.

The fire started in the upper portion of the house from an unknown source. The children were smothered by smoke. The father, who is critically injured, made a desperate effort to rescue the family but failed to get at his children.

Dr. G. W. Poovey, who has been spending a while at the Pryor hospital in Chester, returned home yesterday. His numerous friends will be pleased to learn that he is greatly improved in health.

The Tar Heel Convention.

Completed Its Work Monday Night--Bryan Endorsed--Boy's Honesty Rewarded.

Charlotte Observer of yesterday: The Democratic State convention, which had been in session here for a week, adjourned sine die last night, at 11:30 o'clock, crowning its work by endorsing and instructing for that Peerless Leader, William Jennings Bryan, of Nebraska, by a vote of 523 to 194. Much was accomplished the last day. Senator Simmons was elected a delegate-at-large to the national convention by a vote of 840 to 10. The following candidates for State officers were elected: J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State; B. R. Lacy, State Treasurer; Major B. F. Dixon, Auditor; T. W. Bickett, Attorney General; W. A. Graham, Commissioner of Agriculture; B. F. Aycock, Corporation Commissioner; J. Y. Joyner, Superintendent of Public Instruction; J. R. Young, Insurance Commissioner; M. L. Shipman, Commissioner of Labor and Printing; J. W. Bailey and Walter Murphy, elector-at-large, and Major E. J. Hale, the fourth delegate-at-large to Denver.

One of the incidents of the day was the contribution made to a small boy who got a dollar to get the change out of for a paper and lost his man. In great distress he appealed to the chairman to help him return the money to the right person. The convention as a reward for the honesty of the little fellow filled his hat with silver until it was running over. In all he got \$15.

Hold-up in Rock Hill--Son of Former Lancastrian the Victim.

Rock Hill special in Sunday's State: A hold up, within 50 feet of Main street in the main business block of the city is Rock Hill's latest sensation. This occurred Friday night about 10.30 in a dark alleyway, between the Beach Ihrie jewelry store and the Western Union telegraph office.

John Lindsay, the 14-year-old son of Mr. J. C. Lindsay, the market man, was returning home from the picture show and took a near cut through this alleyway. It is very dark in there, and when he had gotten, perhaps, half way along the building a man stepped out of the darkness and ordered him to throw up his hands. This he did and the robber went through the boy's pockets. John is a right manly boy and rather tall for his age and was probably taken for a man by the robber. It is not recorded what was found in the pockets but no money was there. After searching the boy the man told him to burn the wind. This the boy did in a very much agitated frame of mind. He could not say whether his assailant was white or black as the spot where it occurred was very dark. Neither could he say whether the man had a pistol.

The Buford, No. 321, Farmers' Union will meet Saturday, July 4th at 5 o'clock. All members are requested to be present. business of importance
V. A. Lingle, Pres.

The Deadly Tornado in Minnesota--Several Killed and Many Injured.

Clinton, Minn., June 27.—A tornado struck this town this afternoon, killing seven people and injuring 25, some seriously. Twenty houses, a printing office and two churches were blown down.

The tornado, which was unaccompanied by rain, started three miles north of the town, destroyed two farm houses that were in its path and swept over Clinton, which has about 400 population.

A Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul mixed train was just pulling into the station as the storm struck the town. Fifteen freight cars were blown off the track, as was also a passenger coach containing 17 people. All were injured but it has been impossible to learn their names or the extent of the injuries.

The two churches which were destroyed are the Norwegian Lutheran and Episcopal.

More Persons Bitten by Mad Dogs.

Greenwood special in Monday's News and Courier: Mrs. John Partlow and her little son, Pierce, of Kirksey, in this county, went to Atlanta yesterday to take the Pasteur treatment, both having been bitten one day last week by a dog, which at the time had a case of rabies. The head of the dog was sent to Atlanta and Thursday a telegram was received from the Pasteur Institute that the dog was mad.

Information reached here yesterday that a little daughter of Mr. W. D. Barksdale, of Abbeville, was bitten one day last week by a pet dog that had developed rabies.

Big Verdict for Oil Co.

Anderson special in the News and Courier: A jury in the Civil Court today returned a verdict of \$10,356.90 for the People's Oil and Fertilizer Company against the C. and W. O. Railway. A seed house of the plaintiff was burned in February, 1908, and it was charged that the fire originated from an engine of the defendant. The money secured in the verdict, or a major part of it goes to the insurance companies that paid the amounts of the losses.

Doctor Sold Kisses at \$300 Each.

Chicago, Ill., June 27.—A dispatch to The Tribune from Kansas City, Mo., says:

An offer by Dr. Hamilton Fisk Biggar, of Cleveland, John D. Rockefeller's physician, to kiss any woman who would give \$300 to the propaganda fund, yesterday, created a merry sensation at the Homeopaths' National convention.

The fun continued 30 minutes and \$5,000 was pledged, enough of it by women doctors to keep Dr. Biggar busy trotting up and down the aisles trying to catch the givers and fulfill his part of the compact

Kitchin Wins Out--Named for Governor of North Carolina on 61st Ballot.

Charlotte, N. C., June 27.—Wm. Walton Kitchin, for 12 years representative in congress from the Fifth North Carolina district, was nominated for the governorship of North Carolina by the Democratic State convention at 8 o'clock tonight after the warmest contest in the political annals of the State. The convention has been in almost continuous session since Wednesday at noon and the nomination required 61 ballots. In every respect the contest has been remarkable. Lined up against Kitchin were Locke Craig of Buncombe county, one of the most popular Democrats in the State, and Col. Ashley Horne of Johnson, a prominent business man. Behind Craig were the United States senators, many congressmen, the leading newspapers and many of the ablest party leaders.

Kitchin received a majority of 44 votes and amidst a riotous demonstration the nomination was made unanimous.

At 12.35 Sunday morning the convention adjourned after nominating W. C. Newland of Caldwell county for lieutenant governor, but without naming the delegates at large to the Denver convention or reaching the balance of the State ticket.

The convention will reassemble at noon next Monday.

Kills Father-in-Law.

Eastman, Ga., June 29.—Early this morning C. G. Powell shot and killed W. C. Wamack, his father-in-law, who lived on the Ogburn place near Leon, this county. Eye-witnesses say that Powell fired in self-defense. No arrest has been made.

Southern Not to Reduce Wages Today.

Washington, June 27.—The Southern Railway today announced that the resumption of negotiations looking to a reduction in wages of employees of the railway outside of Washington has been postponed from July 1 until October 1 next. The reduction in salaries of officials and employees of the road in the offices in Washington will not be applied after July 1 next. The reduction will continue as to the salaries of the president and vice president of the road. The negotiations were heretofore suspended from April 1 to July 1, and the negotiations involve the Southern and affiliated lines.

Fatal Fight About Girl.

Sylvia, N. C. June 27.—In a quarrel over a young woman with whom both were in love, Charles Jones, eighteen years old, was stabbed to death last night by Basil Watson, aged twenty-three.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is good for cuts, burns, bruises and scratches. It is especially good for piles. Recommended and sold by all druggists. w-8